

Director of Training

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Deputy Director of Training (General)

THO Weekly Summary Report

1. Plans for the Central Asia Program, to be conducted

Program will begin 29 June and run approximately 12 months. Classes will meet six hours a week. The program itself will be divided into three principal parts:

- a. A summer session in which the focus will be on Chinese Central Asia (Northwest China, Tibet, Sinkiang and Mongolia);
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- b. The autumn term will be on Russian Central Asia (Kosakhsatan, Kirghistan, Turkmenistan and Uzbekistan);
- c. The spring term emphasis will be on the Caucasus, Black Sea and Caspian Sea regions.

A total of eighteen academic credits is available for persons taking the entire program. Outstanding authorities on these areas, selected from various academic centers in the United States, will be present to conduct various parts of the program.

the seminar will be broad and deep in terms of identifying salient elements in U. S. policy and relating the problem of interpretation of these policies to foreign peoples. Preliminary investigations have disclosed considerable interest in CIA. It is hoped that similar interest may be expressed by the Department of State since it is anticipated that the CIA portion of the program will be implemented through the facilities of the State Department. The Secretary of State has been approached by the DCI requesting an answer at the soonest possible date. The starting date for the program will be September 1953. It is not expected that more than five persons from CIA will be permitted to attend this first program.

3. On 29 May, the Chief of the Orientation and Briefing Division made a special presentation on the mission and functions of CIA to the Counterintelligence Corps Officers at Fort Holabird.

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4. [REDACTED] recently appointed by the DCI to the Board of National Estimates, attended the CIA Indoctrination Program on Thursday, 4 June.

5. As of 5 June 1953, 360 CIA personnel are enrolled in TBI courses, and 189 in external training courses, making a total of 549 in courses sponsored by the Office of Training (General).

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cc: TBI Staff and Division Chiefs